

# SEATTLE POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: Bias Crimes and Bias Incidents Synopsis - (1<sup>st</sup> Half 2012)

## Overview

In the first half of 2012 (January 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup>) a total of 50 bias-related incidents were reported to the Seattle Police Department. 33 of the incidents were determined to be crimes, 17 of which were the crime of Malicious Harassment. A total of 8, or 24% of the criminal cases were cleared by arrest, 3 of which were felonies.

## Bias Categories

The bias events that were reported were targeted at 12 different groups, with the 2 most frequent accounting for 48% of the crimes. The three most frequently targeted categories accounted for 66% of all bias incidents.

Bias category	Crimes	Non-Criminal Bias Incidents
Gay & Lesbian	10	5
Black	6	9
Hispanic	3	
Jewish	3	
Catholic	3	
White	2	1
Other Ethnicity	2	
Islamic	1	1
Asian/Pacific Islander	1	
Heterosexual	1	
Sexual Identity	1	
Native American		1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>17</b>

- The category of Anti-Gay and Lesbian represents the most frequently reported bias crime, accounting for 30% of the total crimes and 29% of the non-criminal bias incidents.
- The category of Anti-Black accounts for 18% of the total crimes and 53% of the non-criminal bias incidents.
- The category of Anti-Hispanic accounts for 9% of the total crimes and 0 % of the non-criminal bias incidents.

- 33% of the crimes and 47% of the non-criminal incidents occurred during 3<sup>rd</sup> watch hours (1900-0400)
- 24% of the crimes and 23% of the non-criminal incidents occurred during 1<sup>st</sup> watch hours (0400-1200)
- 42% of the crimes and 29% of the non-criminal incidents occurred during 2<sup>nd</sup> watch hours (1200-2000)

### West Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias	Bias Incident
David	D1	1		
	D2	2		1
King	K1		1	1
	K2	2		
Mary	M1			1
	M2			1
	M3	1		1
Queen	Q1		1	
	Q2		1	
	Q3	2		
Totals		8	3	5

- David Sector represents 9% of the total crimes and 6% of the non-criminal bias incidents.
  - There were 2 Anti-Catholic crimes, both **malicious harassment** graffiti at the same location
  - There was 1 Anti-Gay and Lesbian crime, a **malicious harassment**
  - There was 1 Anti-Black non criminal bias incident
  - No arrests were made
- King Sector represents 9% of the total crimes and 6% of the non-criminal bias incidents.
  - There were 2 Anti-Black crimes, 1 a **malicious harassment**, and 1 non-criminal bias incident.
  - There was 1 Anti-Sexual Identity crime, a **malicious harassment**
  - 2 arrests were made.
- Mary Sector represents 3% of the crimes and 18% of the non-criminal bias incidents.
  - There was 1 Anti-Gay and Lesbian crime, a **malicious harassment** and 2 non criminal bias incidents
  - There was 1 Anti-Black non criminal bias incident
  - 1 arrest was made
- Queen Sector represents of the 12% total crimes and none of the non-criminal bias incidents.
  - There were 1 Anti-Gay and Lesbian crime, a **malicious harassment**
  - There was 1 Anti-Black crime, a **malicious harassment**
  - There was 1 Anti-Jewish crime
  - There was 1 Anti-Heterosexual crime
  - No arrests were made

### South Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias	Bias Incident
Robert	R1		1	
	R3	1		
Ocean	O1		1	1
	O3		2	
Sam	S1		2	
Totals		1	6	1

- Robert Sector represents 6% of the total crimes and none of the non-criminal bias incidents.
  - There was 1 Anti- Gay and Lesbian crime, a **malicious harassment**
  - There was 1 Anti-Islamic crime
  - 1 arrest was made.
- Ocean Sector represents 9% of the total crimes and 6% of the non criminal bias incidents.
  - There was 1 Anti-Black crime, and 1 non criminal bias incident
  - There was 1 Anti-Hispanic crime
  - There was 1 Anti-Other Ethnicity crime
  - 1 arrest was made.
- Sam Sector represents 6% of the total crimes and none of the non-criminal bias incidents.
  - There was 1 Anti-Gay and Lesbian crime
  - There was 1 Anti-Jewish crime
  - 1 arrest was made.

### East Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias	Bias Incident
Edward	E1		1	4
	E2	1		
	E3			
George	G1			1
	G2		1	1
	G3	1		
Totals		2	2	6

- Edward Sector represents 6% of the total crimes and 24% of the non-criminal bias incidents.
  - There was 1 Anti-Gay or Lesbian crime, a **malicious harassment** and 1 non criminal bias incident
  - There was 1 Anti-Black crime, and 3 non criminal bias incidents. These involved the same unknown suspect and 2 associated victims
  - 1 arrest was made.
- George Sector represents 6% of the total crimes and 12% of the non-criminal bias incidents.
  - There were 1 Anti-Hispanic crime, a **malicious harassment**
  - There was 1 Anti-White crime
  - There was 1 Anti-Black non criminal bias incident
  - There was 1 Anti-Gay and Lesbian non criminal bias incident
  - No arrests were made

### North Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias	Bias Incident
<b>John</b>	<b>J2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	
	<b>J3</b>		<b>1</b>	
<b>Boy</b>	<b>B2</b>			<b>1</b>
<b>Lincoln</b>	<b>L1</b>	<b>2</b>		
	<b>L3</b>		<b>1</b>	
<b>Union</b>	<b>U1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	
<b>Nora</b>	<b>N1</b>	<b>1</b>		
	<b>N2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	
	<b>N3</b>			<b>1</b>
<b>Totals</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>

- John Sector represents 9% of the total crimes and none of the non criminal bias incidents.
  - There were 2 Anti-Gay and Lesbian crimes
  - There was 1 Anti-Black crime, a **malicious harassment**
  - No arrests were made.
  
- Boy Sector represents none of the total crimes and 6% of the non criminal bias incidents.
  - There was 1 Anti-Black non-criminal bias incident
  - No arrests were made.
  
- Lincoln Sector represents 9% of the total crimes and none of the non criminal bias incidents.
  - There was 1 Anti-Gay crime, a **malicious harassment**
  - There was 1 Anti-Hispanic crime, a **malicious harassment**
  - There was 1 Anti-Jewish crime
  - No arrests were made.
  
- Union Sector represents 6% of the total crimes and none of the non criminal bias incidents.
  - There was 1 Anti-Catholic crime, a **malicious harassment**
  - There was 1 Anti-Gay and Lesbian crime
  - No arrests were made
  
- Nora Sector represents 9% of the total crimes and 6% of the non criminal bias incidents.
  - There was 1 Anti-Asian/Pacific Islander crime, a **malicious harassment**
  - There was 1 Anti-White crime, a **malicious harassment**
  - There was 1 Anti-Other Ethnicity crime
  - There was 1 American Indian / Alaska Native non criminal bias incident
  - 1 arrest was made

### Southwest Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias	Bias Incident
Frank	F1			1
	F2			1
	F3			1
<b>Totals</b>				<b>3</b>

- Frank Sector represents none of the total crimes and 18% of the non criminal bias incidents.
  - There was 1 Anti-White non criminal bias incident
  - There was 1 Anti-Gay and Lesbian non criminal bias incident
  - There was 1 Anti-Islamic non criminal bias incident
  - No arrests were made